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ROBERT HICKMAN, Professor of ORATORY, will conduct classes in Oratory at the University. Students of these classes entitled to membership of George Washington University Congress, which meets Saturday evenings, and of which Professor Hickman is critic. Apply for particulars,

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RIFLE TEAM SECOND.

Bests Harvard, Cornell and Yale in Indoor Match—Columbia First by Narrow Margin.

On December 28, in New York City, a team representing the George Washington University defeated Harvard, Cornell and Yale in an indoor Intercollegiate Rifle Match, and lost to Columbia only by the narrow margin of five points. Out of a possible 400 points George Washington scored 382.

This is extremely creditable in view of the short time which was available to our men for practice. The team was organized only about ten days before the shoot. It was able to hold but two or three meetings before leaving for New York. It was found impossible to secure rifles for practice or to even see a rifle of the particular kind prescribed for the match. In spite of all these handicaps our men made an excellent showing and their work is a promising forecast of the result of the spring outdoor match when the championship trophy now held by George Washington will be shot for.

The scores were as follows: Columbia, offhand 191, prone 196; George Washington, offhand 188, prone 194; Cornell, offhand 177, prone 190; Harvard, offhand 173, prone 192; Yale, offhand 165, prone 182.

The individual scores of our men were as follows: C. Thigpen, offhand 45, prone 49; T. C. Kirkland, 47, prone 48; A. R. Calder, 47, prone 47; J. W. Pattison, offhand 49, prone 50. Total 382.

PROMINENT FOOTBALL MEN



EUGENE M. BALL,
Manager, 1907.

Eugene M. Ball: Age 21; graduated from Western High School 1904; assistant manager George Washington 1906; manager 1907; will receive a B. S. in Engineering in 1908.



WALTER A. SOMMERS,
Captain, 1908.

Walter A. Sommers: Age 23; took and L.L. M. at George Washington 1907; entered in Political Sciences to graduate 1909; has played three years on the 'varsity'; elected captain for 1908.



JAMES M. GUNNING,
Captain, 1907.

James M. Gunning: Age 24; came from Newport News High School, where he played center for two years, and St. Vincent's Academy, where he played guard; expects to receive the degree of electrical engineer in 1909; has played three years on The George Washington team, being captain in 1907; having devoted three years of his college life to athletics will probably not participate next year.

BASKET BALL TEAM LOSES

TO YALE BY THREE POINTS.

Game Late in Starting—Dispute Over Eligibility.

The initial basket-ball game of the season was played at Convention Hall, December 30th, with the team representing Yale University. Owing to the lateness in the arrival of the visitors the game did not begin until 10:30, which allowed the large audience to enjoy the excellent skating of the hall for a couple of hours. Upon the appearance of the Yale men, a discussion arose in regard to the eligibility of Reges, one of George Washington's players, because of alleged professionalism on charges of Dr. Wiber, the A. A. U. Chairman. Coach Lush, of the Yale team, however, consented to let his men go on with the game.

The contest itself was decidedly interesting, each team exhibiting consistent team work. In the first half Yale rushed our men off their feet, scoring 10 points to our 3. The visitors were cautious, taking very few long chances, while George Washington, on the other hand, made several long shots at the basket from the center of the floor.

The second half showed an evident improvement in the work of our men. Marsh, who had been playing forward in Covell's place, was shifted to the back, Rutherford taking his place. In this half George Washington scored 10 points to Yale's 9, the work of

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The line-up of the teams follows:

George Washington.	Position.
Cramer	Left Forward.
Marsh	Right Forward
Reges	Center
Rutherford	Left Guard.
Johnson	Right Guard.

Yale.	Position.
Goodwin	Left Forward
Wrenn	Right Forward
Van Vleck	Center
Eames	Left Guard
Noyes	Right Guard

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ALL-PHARMACY SMOKER.

The first All-Pharmacy smoker in the history of the N. C. P. was held at Fritz Reuter's Friday evening, December 27, 1907. In addition to a majority of the student body the faculty were well represented by Dean Kalusowski, Profs. Waggaman, Hillebrand, Bradbury and Castell. After a spread fit for a king had been appreciatively consumed and the clink of glasses had subsided, the cigars were passed around, and amid the delicious aroma of the Havanas, Toastmaster Floyd introduced the first speaker, Prof. Kalusowski. Prof. Waggaman's "Reminiscences," Prof. Hillebrand's anecdotes of student life at Heidelberg and short talks by Profs. Bradbury, Castell and several members of the student body made the time pass all too quickly and the milk wagons could be seen on their early morning routes when the final G. W. U. yell, which closed the first All-Pharmacy smoker, was given.

The committee in charge of the banquet deserves much praise for its excellent work.

Special credit is due President

Floyd, who was the originator of the smoker idea and who, by his untiring efforts and executive ability, helped to make it a success.

The theater party, preceding the smoker, was fairly well attended and gave the ladies of the N. C. P. a chance to enjoy themselves as they would not have done at the banquet.

SENIORS '08

At a short meeting of the Senior Class January 2, 1908, the announcement that we will be wearing our class pins January 16 was made and requests that the "dough" be "forked up" were made by the President.

Deming agrees that: "It takes a wise man to answer examination questions."

We had the best representation at the smoker, practically every member of the class being present.

Bruce Spencer's little speech at the smoker was a gem, of its kind. It may not have been oratory, but it was "just as good."

The entire Senior Class extends its sympathy to Mr. Boyer, who recently lost his mother.

JUNIORS '09

The Junior Class was well represented at the smoker, and seemed to enjoy itself.

Prof. Kalusowski: "How is sa-lol melted?"

Bailey: "Hold it over a fire!"

Mr. Senay was the unwilling (?) cause of a fire in the Pharmacy lab. December 14. He was trying to evaporate a fluid extract, instead of distilling off the alcohol. Result: Fire.

More excitement was caused when, on asking for a sand-bath, Prof. Kalusowski was handed a red-hot pan full of sand.

The class editor of the Annual wants the support of every Junior. The Annual this year is going to be better than any previous one. Each student should subscribe for it. It doesn't cost a fortune.

FRESHMEN '10

When asked for an example of oxidation, Widmayer said that magnesium ribbon was oxidized when burned in air. Quite a brilliant idea.

Prof. Hillebrand has not as yet explained the reason why the force of gravity tends to draw a man downward after an excess of Spts. Frumento has been taken.

PHARMACEUTICAL DEFINITIONS

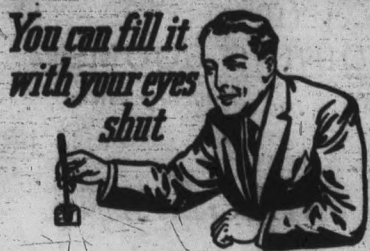
Capsium: A warm substance used to produce profanity; the latter is more marked when the capsium is placed on the end of a cigar smoked by the victim.

Beer: Liquid refreshment. Synonym: Fld. ext. of jim-jams; or, in other words, a substance that leads you to believe that you have a permit to occupy the whole sidewalk at one time.

Lemon: A domestic fruit that we presented Georgetown with on Thanksgiving Day.

Egg Nogg: Christmas Head-ache; three glasses of this is equal to a Bromo-Seltzer next morning.

About January first there will be issued a text book of psychiatry by Dr. W. A. White, Professor of Mental Diseases and Superintendent of the Government Hospital for the Insane. The book is intended for the use of students in connection with the course of lectures and demonstrations that are given by Dr. White during the second semester. The announcement and table of contents indicate that the classification of mental diseases is somewhat similar to that of Kraepelin, and that more attention than is usual in such works is to be devoted to the practical examination of the insane.



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An organization, the future work of which will be of great interest to students who are preparing for the consular service and the public service generally, is that of the National Business League of America, "an alliance of leading diversified business interests of the United States for the promotion of national legislation and advancement of American commerce and industries."

The general secretary of this league is Mr. A. A. Burnham, and its headquarters is at Chicago, Ill. The league was incorporated June 15, 1907, and its purpose is to forward the following public measures:

Additional legislation for the reorganization of the American Consular Service according to the following principal provisions:

1. Removal of the service from the sphere of political influence by enactment of the "merit" system of examination, appointment and promotion of consuls.

2. Creation of an Examining Board, with examination scale of 80 to 100.

3. Minimum and maximum age limit of twenty-one and forty years respectively, for admission to the service.

4. Consuls to be familiar with one modern language other than English, and to possess a knowledge of the natural, industrial and commercial resources and the commerce of the United States, especially with reference to the possibilities of increasing and extending the trade of the United States with foreign countries to which they are credited.

5. Tenure of office to continue only during efficiency and conduct of the highest grade.

6. Complete Americanization.

7. As between candidates of equal merit, proportional representation of all the states and territories in the consular service.

8. A reasonable retiring pension for consular officials, under certain limitations with reference to age, grade, length and efficiency of service.

9. Commercial reciprocity with foreign nations, as a measure for trade expansion and general recognition and practice of reciprocity as a principle, but not to such degree as will insufficiently protect our industries.

It also aims to secure the passage of laws looking toward the conservation of American forests, the reclamation of public lands through irrigation, good roads, a system of navigable waterways, a greater navy, and "American ships, American built, American manned for American commerce."

Another of their measures is that of securing a six-year term for the President of the United States—making the chief executive ineligible for re-election. Mr. Burnham is well pleased with the new College of the Political Sciences, and in a letter to Prof. Veditz has this to say about it:

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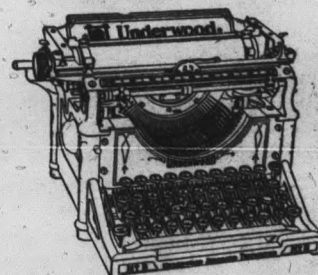
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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 1908.

Owing to an unfortunate error of the printer a number of our paid subscribers have recently received bills. To these we offer our apologies, together with the assurance that all payments have been properly credited.

The Hatchet this week is devoted largely to a review of the recent football season. Next week the interests of "The Annual" will be presented.

It has been the endeavor of the editors of The Hatchet to make it primarily a college newspaper.

Several students have suggested, however, that it would be desirable to introduce literary features—stories, poems, and essays—with the idea of eventually establishing a literary magazine.

This proposition would seem to be both feasible and desirable. Practically every other college of importance has such a magazine. There is no good reason why George Washington should be an exception. On the contrary the development of a literary atmosphere, so essential to true college spirit, would be materially aided thereby. There is surely sufficient talent in the University to support such a movement.

We should be glad to hear expressions of opinion regarding this project. If sufficient interest is manifested editors will be selected and The Hatchet will be pleased to devote a page or even an entire issue, once a month, to the publication of literary contributions.

Rifle shooting is a sport which is rapidly increasing in favor with Eastern colleges. It is therefore highly gratifying that George

Washington has taken so prominent a place in this branch of student activity. Great credit is due to the men who, in face of so many discouragements, carried our colors to virtual victory at the recent meet in New York City. Their efforts certainly deserve some recognition by the University.

The members of the team have requested that some acknowledgment be made of our indebtedness to the men who lent their aid in the work of preparation, Major Bell, of the District, and former members of the team, Messrs. Ferree and Johnson.

From a certain standpoint Graduate Manager Wilson's action in suspending the basket-ball team until action by the Athletic Council is commendable. George Washington cannot afford to play men on her teams against whom there is the slightest suspicion.

At the same time the interests of the students should be protected. If a man is in regular attendance and free from the taint of professionalism, he has a right to represent us on our athletic teams, which no outside association can deny.

We are informed that the gentlemen regarding whom there has been so much discussion, while professionals under the rules of the A. A. U., are not considered such under the rules of the Intercollegiate Athletic Association of which George Washington is a member. In other words, while they have played with men who have received money, they have never themselves received compensation for athletic services. If this is the case, it may be that Manager Biddle was justified.

With its usual dilatoriness the Athletic Council has taken no steps toward investigation. Inquiries should be made at once. If the charges are true, an apology is due from the manager to the public and to Yale. If they are untrue, an apology is due George Washington from certain hot-headed sporting editors in this city.

MISSION STUDY COURSES.

In co-operation with the various Inter-denominational missionary movements, Columbian College announces four University extension courses in the study of Christian Missions. These will be known as the Luther Rice Mission Study Courses.

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For the benefit of those who remained in the city during the Christmas vacation Dr. Nichols gave quizzes in Histology. We derived much good from these quizzes and feel very grateful to Dr. Nichols for his great kindness. On Friday, Jan. 3, 1908, he began the course in Embryology, which appears to be a most interesting and instructive course.

Le Roy Brock's trousers contain five pockets, 12 buttons, and 28 patches; he visited a number of melon fields last season and did not stop to go through the gates, as they were too near the house.

WHAT WE GOT FOR XMAS.

Hayton: A rubber doll.
Oliver: A pair of tight shoes.
Bacon: A box of smiles.
Boody: Homesick.
Brock: A case of grippe.
Jaeger: A Teddy bear.
Ingle:
Schoemaker: The mitten.
Mrs. Downey: More work.
Smith: A brand new sleigh ride.
Zimmerman: Six months in the dissecting room.
Eppard: A toy fire engine.
Leone: Back from N. Y.

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Thompson: Up too late for breakfast.

Cox: Same as last year.

Eisenberg: Street organ.

Moore: Two matched pennies.

Ye Scribe: What the small boy shot at.

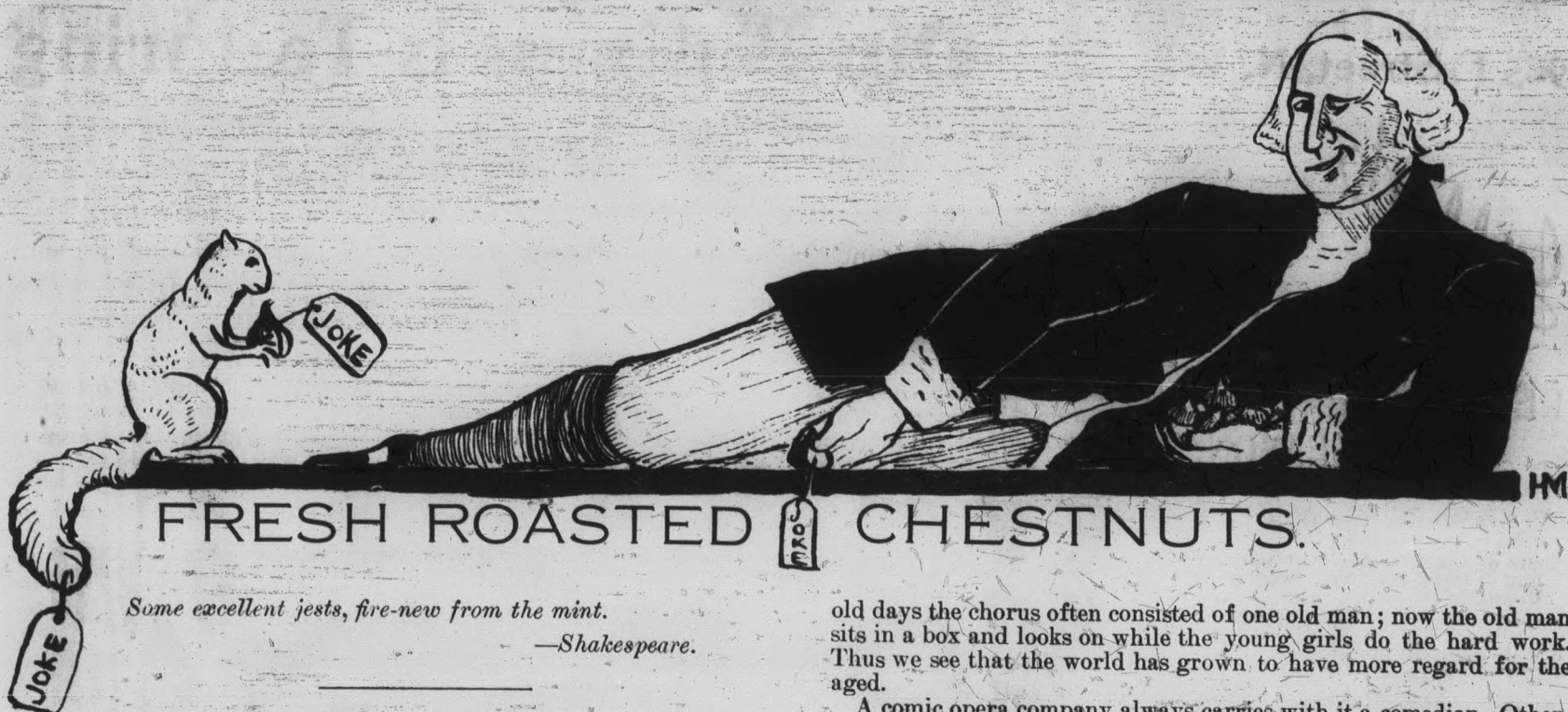
COMMUNICATIONS.

To the Editor of the University Hatchet: The students and alumni of G. W. U. have doubtless noticed the recent basket-ball agitation started by an official of the A. A. U., and furthered by the sundry sporting editors of the Washington press. This discussion has been so carried on that even one of our strongest supporters has hastened to publish a letter in which he refers to the "stigma" thus cast upon the University. This "stigma" consists in the presence on our team, the night of the Yale game, of two men who had been suspended from the A. A. U.

Now any bona fide student of G. W. U. has an inherent right to represent this University upon its athletic teams, and if any official of the A. A. U., through any fancied duty to that organization, intrudes himself upon an intercollegiate contest with a charge of professionalism, that charge must be substantiated, or it will be treated as it deserves. We are not a Y. M. C. A. or an athletic club that the personnel of our athletic teams is to be passed upon by the A. A. U. George Washington, according to the rules of the I. A. A. A., of which it is a member, is sole judge of the eligibility of its students, such judgment, of course, to be given in accordance with the laws of the I. A. A. A.

The two men in question strongly deny ever receiving money for playing basket-ball. If the charge of professionalism be brought against them by the proper parties and it be proved that they are professionals, then, I am sure, no one will take action in the matter more quickly than the manager and captain of the team.

(Signed) ELBERT JOHNSON.
Captain.



Some excellent jests, fire-new from the mint.

—Shakespeare.

RESOLUTIONS.

The New Year is here, and therefore
The Editor has cleaned his desk
And Loren loafs no more.
No more the co-eds. chatter
Outside the office door.

The sanctum from tobacco smoke
Is wonderfully free,
For all the loafers have sworn off
From coffin nails, you see.

But just you wait, the year is not
So very old just yet.
And in about a week or so
Things will be as they used to go,
Or even worse, you bet.

Q.

"The reason why some people do not mind their own business," observed the Wise Guy, "is, in the first place, that they have no mind, and in the second place that they have no business."

Little boy
Box of paints
Sucked the brush
And joined the saints.

—Lifted.

WILLIE AGAIN.

Willie stuck the carving knife
Into Uncle Jones's wife.
"Careful, dear," said Uncle Jones,
"You'll dull the blade on Auntie's bones."

Q.

A DISSERTATION ON COMIC OPERA.

Comic opera is a combination of humor and music. This association is not a new one. It is recorded that Nero fiddled as Rome burned. It is not recorded that the Romans saw anything funny in this, but doubtless Nero's fiddling was humorous. The modern combination of humor and music known as comic opera must possess certain characteristics. The name may change. Thus it may be called a musical play, a comic opera, or a musical comedy. The ingredients may vary. Thus the humor may be lacking, e. g., "The Dairymaids." Or the music may be absent, as in "Lola from Berlin." But a comic opera must have chorus girls.

A chorus girl, or coryphee, consists of three parts, like Gaul, and some say she consists entirely of gall. These parts are a pair of legs, a voice and a pompadour. The legs are the nearest approach to perpetual motion yet discovered, the pompadour is remarkable for its height and color and the voice is agreeable to hear, if you do not care for music. When the chorus makes its entrance it comes with a whoop and fills the stage with a dizzy whirl of flying ruffles and blending colors ending with a grand shout and a high kick which cause dear old uncle, who is attending a directors' meeting, to lower his opera glasses and applaud until his specs fall off. In the good

old days the chorus often consisted of one old man; now the old man sits in a box and looks on while the young girls do the hard work. Thus we see that the world has grown to have more regard for the aged.

A comic opera company always carries with it a comedian. Otherwise there would be no humor. The chief attainments required by a comic opera comedian in the exercise of his profession are a talent for facial contortion, a knack of falling down in a diverting manner and a stock of jokes of a vintage which even The Hatchet has outlawed. The comedian sings a topical song.

A topical song is a collection of words set to little or no tune. The number of verses is in direct proportion to the size of the crowd in the gallery. Each verse deals with some person or event of national importance, from Harry Thaw to the Washington Ball Club. The climax is reached when the singer refers to Alexandria, Va. This usually results in a curtain call.

There is no plot in a comic opera, but when the performers have finished their specialties the entire troupe lines up in front of the stage and instantly the parquet becomes a confused jumble of coat-sleeves, feathers and hat-pins. The lovers fall into each other's arms, causing loud applause. The comedian puts on a chorus girl's hat, causing hysterical laughter. And then the orchestra strikes up the same old tune that you have heard with variations at every comic opera you have ever seen. And as you go out whistling this tune, if you are an optimist you may succeed in persuading yourself that you have passed a highly enjoyable evening. After all, it is better to be an optimist.

J. E. L.

TELEGRAPH TO THEODORE.

If the Ship of State needs caulking,
Or the lion's tail a twist;
If the Senators are balking;
If the silver spoon is missed;
If a plague hits Honolulu;
If there's trouble in the cup,—
Why, just write to Mr. Roosevelt,
And he'll fix the matter up.

If there's too much rain in Kansas,
Or it's dry in Tennessee;
If a summer cyclone fans us,
Or if Towser has a flea;
If your sweetheart proves too fickle;
If you want to know the score;
If you get a punctured nickel,—
Drop a line to Theodore.

If the co-eds cease to charm us;
If the ball-game we should lose;
If mid-year exams. should harm us,
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REVIEW OF THE SEASON.

RECORDS OF THE TEAM.

Views of Coach Nielson and Manager Ball—Prospects for Next Year Bright.

The football year of 1907, while it will not rank as the best in the history of George Washington, yet brought nothing but satisfaction in its wake. In games won and lost we have only a fair average, but in two other things the year will set a mark for the future. In the first place our team accomplished what no other eleven ever sent out from the University has done, when they held Georgetown to a no-score game; and in the second place, something that bears striking resemblance to what is generally known as college spirit, that indefinable atmosphere without which no institution can hope to advance, made its appearance on

of those men who by their sacrifices and by their indomitable energy have carried this sport amid

and coach, and to learn the rudiments of the game a monumental task for the men. And they were compelled to fight it out alone. Little or no support from the stu-

dent body met them in their daily work. And until Thanksgiving Day little appeared at the games. All of which, while it is extremely regrettable for this year, yet leaves



JOHN R. WHITEHEAD.

John R. Whitehead: Aged 29; graduated from Purdue University 1904; is taking a post-graduate course in Department of Political Sciences and has intentions of returning for 1908; played tackle on 'varsity.

almost hopeless disadvantages, from the apparent lack of a field in the beginning to the trouble that ended the season.

The vast majority of the squad



JOHN ST. CLAIR BROOKS.

John St. Clair Brooks: Age 19; graduated from Emerson Institute 1903; took an A. B. at George Washington in three years, graduating 1906; entered for an L.L. B.; was captain of the scrubs in 1906 and played end for the 'varsity in 1907; is expected back.

the field and in the college halls in such a manner as to promise great things for the future. Upon these two things the University can look with satisfaction and feel that the work has been well done.

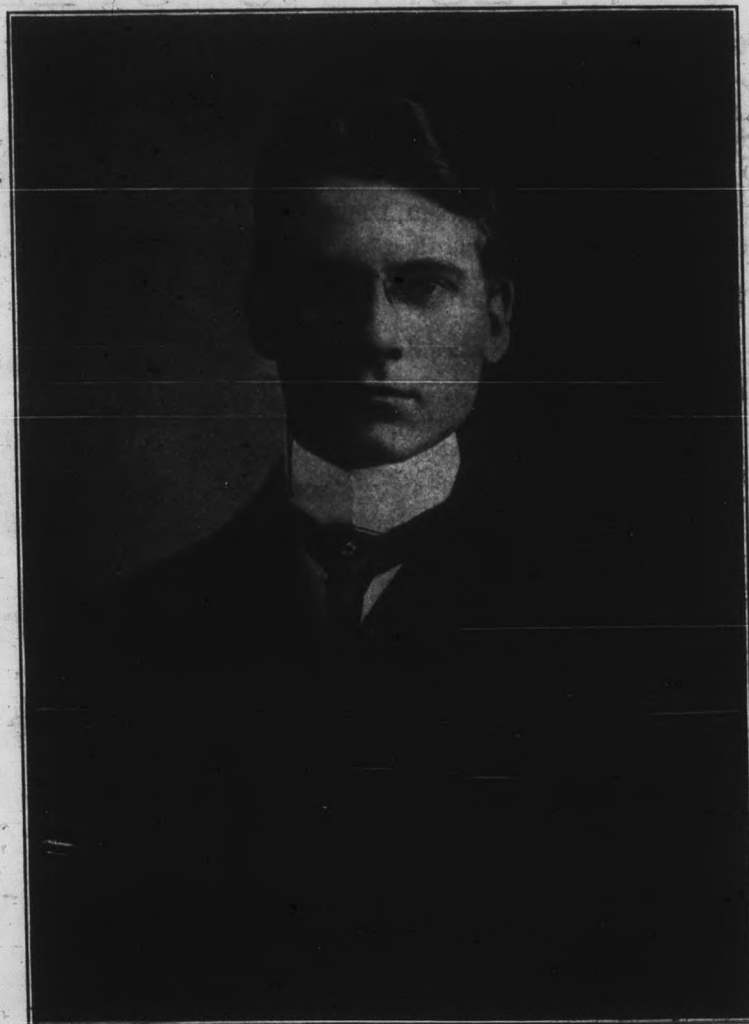
Football has been retained as the main sport of the University only as a result of great effort. The handicaps confronting the management and the team were such as very few other colleges experience. It should cause a glow of pride to flash through every



HARRY H. PEARCE.

Harry H. Pearce: Age 24; graduated from Albion College, Michigan, in 1905, where he played quarter on the champion Albion team; entered in the Law Department to graduate 1910; played quarter on 'varsity; expects to be here next year.

were men, employed in the daytime, who assembled at the field about 4:30 to go through an hour and a half of the football routine, and then go home to study. To whip into shape a body of men in this ridiculously small time was a



COACH FRED K. NEILSON.

Fred K. Neilson: Graduated from Omaha High School, Nebraska, playing guard and tackle on the football team; received A. B. in 1902 and later an L.L.B. from the University of Nebraska, where he played half on the 'varsity; has coached a winning team

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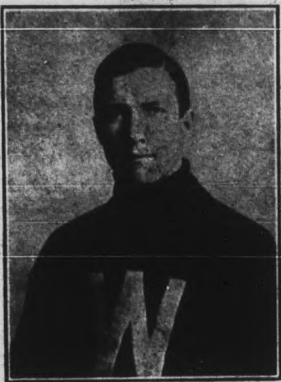
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to the student body for 1908 an opportunity to equal by their enthusiasm on the side lines the work of the squad on the field.

George Washington won two, lost four and tied one game this season. With barely two weeks' practice they played a remarkable game against the strong Western Maryland eleven, holding their opponents down to 12 points. The

**KENNETH MAXEY.**

Kenneth Maxey: Age 18; graduated from Central High School, Washington, 1907; entered for A. B., Columbian College, 1911; played halfback on team; will return next year.

next game, likewise, was an evidence of the grit prevalent in our men, for Swarthmore, which defeated Navy by 18 to 0, later in the season, and ran up 8 points on Pennsylvania, could do no better than 30 to 0 against George Washington. Then Maryland Agricultural College, fresh from its 12 to 0 game with Annapolis, ran 12 points on us, preventing in the same time any scoring on our part. After this two victories came our way, the first against University of Maryland 17 to 6 and the second 16 to 6 with Gallaudet. Finally we rounded the season by the great game with Georgetown.

With reference to the season as a whole we append the following from Coach Fred. K. Neilsen:

COACH NIELSON'S VIEWS.

"The present season of football in the University opened under conditions much more distressing than any ever faced on the George Washington gridiron while I have

been in Washington. Two regulars and two men from the previous year's second team constituted the nucleus around which the eleven had to be built. The sale

**PATRICK D. HOLMES.**

Patrick D. Holmes: Age 25; entered in Law Department to graduate 1911; never played before this year; guard on team; expects to return next year.

of the University field rendered it uncertain up until a few days before the beginning of practice whether the institution would be represented by a team this season; as a result, practice of any consequence was begun late. There was no time for any preliminary planning.

**FREDERIC A. CRAFTS.**

Frederic A. Crafts: Age 18; Law Department 1911; graduated from Milton High School, Boston, where he played four years on the team, captain the last year; played half on the 'varsity; will be back next year.

"Among the new men, some had never played the game before, others had but a very limited experience, and all were exceptionally light. It proved very hard to find men for the difficult positions of quarter back and places in the back field. In the latter part of the season misfortune came to the team in the form of injuries to some of the best players. In the game with Virginia Polytechnic Institute we were obliged to use six substitutes; and in the final game, two of our most experienced players, in the back field, were unable to play. Their absence doubtless accounted to some extent for the fact that in offensive work the showing of the team was far below what it was capable of doing. Under the conditions which had to be met, players and coach feel that they may properly offer

**HERBERT W. WHITE.**

Herbert W. White: Age 24; graduated from Simpson College, Iowa, playing on the college team the last year; entered in law to graduate 1910; played half and end on George Washington; expects to return.

no inconsiderable excuse for the disappointing season.

"However, the season is not without redeeming aspects. Each game showed some improvement; perhaps the line men made the most progress. Captain Dutcher, of Georgetown, stated, after the Thanksgiving Day game, that while our line was the lightest of any George Washington lines he had ever tried to pierce, during the three years he has played in Wash-

ington, he found it the most difficult of any through which to force a passage.

"Members of the faculty, students and friends of the team have sensibly and kindly gauged the

**MORRIS K. HARRALSON.**

Morris K. Harralson: Age 24; came from Boys' High School, Atlanta, Georgia; graduated from George Washington Law School in 1906; took a P. G. in 1907; has played two years on the 'varsity, at center; will not return.

season's work, not by the number of victories won, but by the results which have been gained under the conditions confronting us. They have not offered criticism at a time when failure was keenly

**J. EARLE BAKER.**

J. Earle Baker: Age 23; took Ph.B. degree at University of Wisconsin 1906; expects to receive a degree as Master of Diplomacy from Political Sciences in 1908; played fullback and center on George Washington; will not return.

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felt by those trying to develop a successful eleven.

"The personnel of the team was a gratifying feature of the season's work. The men who played were gentlemen and students in good standing. No one of them ever intentionally took an unfair advantage of an opponent, nor was guilty of any base conduct, the occasional manifestation of which, on the part of some members on athletic teams, who have no conception of what a real college football player is, is largely responsible for the severe criticism at times passed on the great amateur sport.

"The enthusiastic and friendly assistance of certain members of the faculty has been warmly appreciated by the coach and players. Their seemingly harsh rulings, early in the season, with reference to some strong players were

though the results of that day's contest fell far short of what we had hoped for."

The difficulties confronting



AUBREY B. WITTEN.

Aubrey B. Witten: Age 22; graduated from Emerson Institute; entered in Architecture to graduate 1910; played fullback on varsity; expects to return.



L. ROYAL ALSTON.

L. Royal Alston: Age 20; graduated from Lake Charles High School, Louisiana, where he played three years on the team; is a special in the Engineering Department, with intentions of remaining till 1910; played tackle on varsity 1907.

not deprecated, as their motives were understood and appreciated.

"George Washington students have at times been commended for the manner in which by their cheers they have supported even losing teams. While it is a losing team that badly needs inspiration of this kind, such aid is not infrequently withheld because of the want of enthusiasm to produce it; and it was gratifying to note that apparently pleasure, as well as duty, played a part in the cheering with which students urged on our team on Thanksgiving Day, even

were, in truth, monumental. Though the prospects in the early part of the fall seemed to be particularly encouraging, the small number of men responding to a first call for practice quickly cast a gloom over the enthusiasm. Then came the ban, placed on Licarione and Gibson, two of the previous year's stars, by the faculty, an act in accordance with the provisions of eligibility drawn up at the close of 1906, and for which the faculty deserve considerable credit in view of the circumstances.



E. J. HOUGH.

Edgar J. Hough: Age 21; graduated from Technical High School, Washington, 1905; expects to obtain a M. E. in 1910; played half on varsity; will return.

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With these two men gone, with the remaining veterans expected back dwindled down to Captain Gunning and Sommers, with only a handful of new material on the field, it was doubtful whether football could be retained as a sport of the University. Games with Cornell and Lehigh were necessarily canceled, and a mass meeting held, as a last resort. The strenuous efforts of the managers and the firm support evidenced by the faculty members caused a change in the tide, with the result that the following week saw some 20 men on the field, including Jack Brookes, who returned to enter the Law School, and Harralson, sub-center of 1906.

The squad from that time on averaged about 25, of whom the vast majority were Freshmen, or students who had never previously participated in football. The progress in the limited time at disposal was remarkable, especially when it is remembered that experienced football men regard the development of new material in one year almost impossible. Quarter gave the coach much trouble, and it was not until Galt tried his hand that the team began to show something of systematic play.

The bright side is still before us. One result of the present year has been to bring to the University a body of students whose potential strength in athletics, and football in particular, is yet to be realized. From trustworthy accounts the only sure losses of the 1907 "W"

men will be Baker, center, and Harralson, center. Among the subs the most important loss will be Couden, tackle, who played the latter part of the Georgetown game, and whose work during the entire season was consistently strong.

With Sommers at the helm and the large number of experienced men expected to return we have every reason to hope for a successful year in 1908.



PHILIP R. HOOTEN.

Philip R. Hooten: Age 20; graduated from Norfolk High School 1906, where he played on the regular team, being manager in his last year; is a special in the Department of Architecture, with intentions of remaining in the University until 1910; played half on the varsity; will return.

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1907 FOOTBALL RULES SUCCESSFUL.

The following article concerning the game of football as played this year under the revised new rules, was written by Walter Camp, '80, for the Yale News. Mr. Camp believes the rules have fully justified themselves during the past season, with the exception perhaps of the one created last year which gives great freedom in the use of the forward pass. Upon this it appears some restriction ought to be placed before next year. On account of Mr. Camp's position on the Rules Committee, his stand in this matter is one of considerable importance.

Mr. Camp's letter follows:

"When the new rules were first introduced two years ago, there were many who contended that it was too much to require of any team that they should gain ten yards in three downs and the prediction was that 'no-score' games would put an end to the ten-yard rule in short order. The contrary has proven true, and already there are those who would like to see the forward pass more restricted, relying upon it as it was a year ago, or even eliminating it altogether and keeping the on-side kick and ten-yard rule. What was needed in the game was primarily to lessen value of possession of the ball and this the ten-yard rule achieved. With its introduction there went out all the close hammering mass plays which were good for two or three yards on a down but no more. The American collegian, whether player or spectator, does not care for a game in which the element of chance is paramount. He likes to see or play a game where hard work counts, and a game where definite planning secures a well-appreciated result. For this reason he does not care for the unlimited forward pass which can now be tried without severe penalty on first and second down. Throwing the ball around indiscriminately may be the last resort of a weak or inferior team and as such is unsatisfactory.

"In other respects, like the separation of the line of scrimmage and the improvement in the general conduct and spirit of the play, the rules have fully justified themselves and have rendered the game more popular than ever."

COLUMBIAN COLLEGE

During the past two weeks the class rooms and corridors of the University Building have been almost deserted except for some forlorn student who was taking advantage of the Christmas holidays to catch up some of the work that was even more pressing than the call to enjoy the good times to the utmost. Outside of the College Building, however, the students of the College have been assembling with even more good will and good-fellowship than usual, College classes, fraternities, clubs and

many individual hosts and hostesses have been doing all in their power to make the holidays a time of jollification and relaxation, and have met with much more than the usual success. Altogether the College feels that the holidays have been a marked success and wishes to congratulate those who have done so much to make it so.

On Thursday evening, December 19, the parlors of the Woman's Building were crowded with perhaps the largest assemblage of College students and their friends that has been present at one of the class dances for several years. The occasion was the annual dance of the Junior Class of Columbian College and the Washington College of Engineering. The Junior Class is generally one of the largest and most popular classes in the College, and the crowded parlors were a testimony that the Class of 1909 is not below the standard. In spite of the great crowd, those present at the Junior dance enjoyed themselves in true College style, heartily congratulating the Juniors upon the success of their dance.

The season of class dances in the Department of Arts and Sciences came to a grand climax on Friday evening, January 3, 1908, when the Senior Class of Columbian College, the Washington College of Engineering, and the College of the Political Sciences held its Christmas Reception and Dance. The parlors of the Woman's Building were tastefully decorated with the crimson, which has been the class color during the past three and a half years, and were filled, but not uncomfortably so, with a typical College crowd. President and Mrs. Needham, Dean Wilbur, of Columbian College; Dr. Smith, Miss Ellis, Dean of Women, and Mr. Peake, were the members of the University Faculty who honored the Senior Class by their presence at the reception and dance. The Class of 1908 introduced a feature which has heretofore been lacking at the class dances, a short reception just before the dance. This short and rather informal reception served as a very good means to break the ice which always is present at the beginning of the dances,

and also to lend more dignity to the occasion. In the receiving line were Mrs. Needham, Miss Ellis, Mrs. Moyer, Mrs. Ellis, the Vice President of the Class, Miss Jane Mahan and the President of the Class, Mr. Wm. C. Van Vleck. The College in general, and especially the Senior Class, wish to extend congratulations to the committee which had charge of the dance. A feature of the evening was the decorations. The committee wishes to thank those who contributed so much to the success of the event, and also to Mr. Small, the florist, who so kindly furnished the palms with which the parlors were decorated. It was in the forbidden time after twelve o'clock that the dancers heard the strains of "Home, Sweet Home" with regret, and separated, voting the dance of the Seniors a complete success.

JUNIORS.

To tell of the things the Juniors did during the holidays and of the places they went would take more space than we are allowed. Suffice it to say they were seen doing almost everything else but studying! Now, the time is not far distant when they will have to put on paper the story of their achievements during the past few months, and already regrets are heard for the time that was not spent in study, but the holidays are gone.

The Junior Dance now belongs to the pleasant memories of the past. It is needless to say anything about its popularity, for everybody was there and every one knows what a pronounced success it was. If you were not there, do not tell any one and it will never be known.

ARCHITECTURE.

Thursday evening, the 19th ultimo, this Division had an exhibition of all the architectural drawings submitted in the different courses since the beginning of the session. Although some of the rendus may have figured in other exhibitions, such as the Beaux Arts Society's exhibition, and received honors, it is the custom of our school to have its own

exhibition and independent criticism. The members of the judgment committee were Professors Ash and Remy and Mr. Tyssington. These gentlemen gave their oral criticisms of the various designs in the presence of the class, which, as is usual on such occasions, was quite large, and prefaced their remarks by saying that all of the drawings were very creditable. In their judgment, the places and members were given as follows:

Problem—Entrance to a courtyard:

First place—L. Greenberg.

Second place—C. Foster.

Third place—Witten and B. Burnham.

Problem—Gymnasium:

First place—None.

Second place—S. P. Wagoner.

Third place—J. A. Lockie.

Problem—Monument:

First place—S. P. Wagoner.

Hon. Mention—Jos. Blasey and O. Holmes.

In the recent judgment of the sketch work in Pen and Ink, the awards were as follows:

First place—H. T. Dysland.

Second place—C. N. Norton and G. M. Fuerst.

Third place—O. Holmes.

Hon. mention—C. Foster.

Then, during the holiday season, there occurred the annual entertainment of the G. W. U. Architectural Club, and while not quite like some Christmas festivals, was certainly a great event and most timely. The evening of the 23d in the new club room will long be remembered. Everything was ready, the room itself furnished and decorated, the stage in place and the actors on hand with their make-up boxes. It was sur-

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prising to see the stunts that were gotten up, and run off, from the hasty caucuses and secret conferences, and the boys are to be congratulated over the manner in which they got together. The event started off with a one-scene tragedy, entitled "The Bo-Zart Society at Work," Wm. Burnham as announcer having first megaphoned to the audience that oversensitive persons had better withdraw, as there would be roasts for everybody. Mr. Hooten, Advance Agent and Sergeant-at-Arms, apologized for the committee, stating that that body had been swamped with work in attempting to keep track of all the roasts and artistic upheavals, and requested the indulgence of the audience. The latter made good. Then the curtain arose on the fake exhibition, and the committee, consisting of Prof. Longarm (Mr. Doyle), Dr. Scipio (Mr. Knowles) and Architect Whostung (Mr. Lombard) went to work. Longarm read the rules, and Dr. Scipio, as chairman, steadied the committee. It is safe to say that in all the deliberations and drawings there was enough for jokes, laughter and reflection.

Following this, Knowles read an original poem. This pleased everybody; it was an expose in which all present, or otherwise interested, figured.

Doyle concluded with a black-face, stand-on-a-chair, campaign speech, and carried the day.

After that there were refreshments, Mr. Garland, caterer, and of course the customary initiatory degrees to be given the freshmen and new members. It is sufficient to say that by this time committee rules were broken and a good time in general ensued. But all the events were concluded with the best of good fellowship.

Prof. Charles Mason Remy left at the beginning of the holidays for a trip through the West.

Among the visitors at the Club entertainment were H. P. Illman, of University of Pennsylvania, and W. H. I. Fleming, of Cornell.

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DENTAL 1910.

Melville P. Eslin, Editor.

It is not our intention to "knock", but we can not help thinking that the five-year freshmen medical class must have been very hard up for material when it criticized the Dental Glee Club in the last issue of The Hatchet. However, in spite of their cruel, cruel words, we shall endeavor in the future as in the past to maintain that spirit which is so sadly missing in the medical class of 1912. Moral: Don't be a crawfish.

Messrs. Armstrong, Ebeling and Eastman spent Christmas on "gay Broadway." Pearce sported his new tan shoes in Pittsburg.

The Psi Omega Dental Fraternity recently held an initiation. The particulars have been withheld but the following casualties have been reported at the hospital: Pearce, little toe sprained; Becker, fractured dignity; Armstrong, internal injuries "by dom;" Eslin, nervous shock. All are doing well and will recover.

There will be an important meeting of the Enosinian Society on Friday evening, Jan. 10, in Room 26 of the University Building at 8:15. The regular election of officers will be held and some other important business will be transacted. A full attendance of all the members is requested.

Dean Howard L. Hodgkins, of the Department of Engineering, attended the meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, held in Chicago, December 30 to January 4.

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The class gave its second smoker of the season on the evening of Friday, Dec. 20. Our ingenious chairman, Mr. Seward, had carefully arranged every detail and we were right royally received. A short business meeting was first held at which it was unanimously voted that we have the honor system in the Histology examination. A light supper was then served and speeches were made by several members of the class. Messrs. Hoffman, Pearce and Ward sang solos in their characteristic style, Ward's selection, "We're Here Because We're Here," being especially good. Many were moved to tears by the pathos of the song. The fun lasted until the "we sma" hours of the morning and then with a few school yells the class disbanded for the holidays.

NEEDHAM DEBATING SOCIETY

The regular meeting of the Needham Society was held Friday evening, January 3, in the Public Hall, President Ambrose presiding. This being the first meeting after the holidays, the attendance was not quite as large as usual.

The question before the Society for debate was: "Resolved, That Congress should exclude Japanese laborers from the United States." Messrs. Christiansen and Davis being absent, the chair appointed Mr. Nyemaster to take Mr. Christiansen's place and Mr. Stein Mr. Davis' place, and the question was debated by Messrs. Pearce and Nyemaster for the affirmative and Messrs. Tenny and Stein for the negative. After an interesting and excellent debate the judges decided that the negative side had prevailed, giving honors to Messrs. Pearce and Tenny.

The question announced for Friday, January 10, was: "Resolved, That mortgages should be exempt from taxation." The speakers are Rutherford and Rowley for the af-

firmative; Aldrich and Pillow for the negative.

The question for two weeks hence, Friday, January 17, is: "Resolved, That prohibition should be established in the District of Columbia." Messrs. Betts and Phillips (I. W.) for the affirmative; Horner and Spinks for the negative.

The Society begins the new year under favorable circumstances and its continued prosperity is believed to be assured. The committee have a number of excellent, live, present-day questions to assign. The members are giving these questions deep thought and study as they are assigned, and not only is public speaking being cultivated but the members gain much practical information. Moral: Join the Needham and attend its meetings.

R. J. ALTIZER,
Secretary.

George E. Myers, Ph.D., Lecturer on the History of Education, attended the meeting of the Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools of the Middle States and Maryland, held in New York during the Thanksgiving recess, and read a paper upon "Influence of Present Methods of Graduate

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Instruction Upon Teaching in Secondary Schools." Dr. Myers also addressed the meeting of the Federal Schoolmen's Club of Washington, on December 8, upon the subject of "Certification vs. Examination for College Entrance." His remarks were followed by an unusually interesting discussion.

On Friday, December 13th, Minnesota, Nebraska and Wisconsin will hold simultaneous debates with each other on the subject: "Resolved, That all transportation companies doing an interstate business should be controlled exclusively by the Federal Government."

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The "Yale News" has the following report of the football receipts for the season:

"The total gate receipts for the football season amount to more than \$80,000. The Washington and Jefferson game brought in \$3,000, that with Brown \$4,000, and about \$5,000 was received from the other minor games. Yale's share of the receipts at the Princeton game was \$33,000, and \$68,000 will be divided between Yale and Harvard from last Saturday's game."

The following is the All-Western eleven as taken from the Michigan Daily:

Left end, Capron, Minnesota.
Left tackle, Case, Minnesota.
Left guard, Van Hook, Illinois.
Center, Schultz, Michigan.
Right guard, Messmer, Wisconsin.
Right tackle, Rheinschild, Michigan.
Right end, Hammond, Michigan.
Quarterback, Steffen, Chicago.
Left halfback, Magoffin, Michigan.
Right halfback, Schucknecht, Minnesota.
Fullback, Weller, Nebraska.

Princeton has finished the season with the largest total score of intercollegiate teams, and of her 282 points scored, Harlan leads in individual point-making, having scored 54. He has made but one touchdown during the season, but has kicked 25 goals from touchdowns and six goals from the field.

Negotiations for a game to be played with Pennsylvania in the football season of 1908 have been opened by Director Baird.

The Michigan manager will not only try to schedule the contest, but will endeavor to induce the Quakers to play on Ferry Field next year.

Any one of the Eastern elevens may be this other opponent from beyond the Alleghenies. Dartmouth, the conqueror of Harvard, applied last spring for a try at the Wolverine's hide, and was refused only because there was no room on the schedule. Annapolis asked for a game, and Michigan had to answer negatively.

Carlisle, which has been working wonders East and West this fall, is in line for consideration.

Nearly 150 Harvard students were blacklisted for speculating on tickets to the Yale-Harvard game last Saturday. Those on such a list are forever denied the privilege of applying for tickets to any Yale-Harvard game.

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ity make a trip to British Columbia this winter during the Christmas holidays and will play all the leading teams of the British Columbia Union for the trophy which has been offered by J. Copper-Keith of Vancouver. Last year the University team made the trip to the North and played three games, two of which they lost and the third was a tie. The faculty of the institution has not given its sanction to the trip, but it is expected that it will be approved.

At the recent Yale-Princeton football game which Yale won by a score of 12 to 10 a bet was made which resulted in the Yale student winning a \$6,000 automobile from a Princeton graduate. The bet was made with 10 to 1 odds on Princeton when the score stood 10 to 0 in Princeton's favor at the end of the first half.

The championship of Dixie goes to Vanderbilt—the first undisputed one-title match of many bygone seasons. The Commodores had a great struggle, however, to retain their premier position in the S. I. A. A., with her veteran team, under the same coach for the past four seasons. Sewanee has the strongest eleven that has been gathered in the Tennessee mountains in years. The Commodores had much the closest run for their money they have had in four years and can be thankful that they got the game.

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